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SUBJ: US-YUGOSLAV SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION

A. FOLLOWING IS OUR SUGGESTED DRAFT OF ADMINISTRATIVE
RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR US-YUGOSLAV JOINT BOARD ON S AND T
COOPERATION FOR DISCUSSION AND ACCEPTANCE AT NEXT BOARD
MEETING:

PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF PROCEDURES FOR THE U.S.-
YUGOSLAV JOINT BOARD ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL
COOPERATION

1. THESE RULES REFLECT AND SUPPLEMENT THE APPLICABLE
PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT, WHICH SHALL PREVAIL IN
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INSTANCES OF CONFLICT IN INTERPRETATION BETWEEN THE

RULES AND THE PROVISIONS.

2. THE JOINT BOARD SHALL NORMALLY MEET TWICE YEARLY, ONCE IN THE SPRING AND ONCE IN THE FALL, ALTERNATIVELY IN YUGOSLAVIA AND THE UNITED STATES. WHEN THERE EXISTS A GENUINE NEED, THE JOINT BOARD MAY MEET MORE FREQUENTLY.

3. THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD, SELECTED IN ACCOANCE WITH ARTICLE VI, PARAGRAPH 4 OF THE AGREEMENT, SHALL PRESIDE OVER THE BOARD MEETING AND SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO VOTE.

4. THE JOINT BOARD SHALL REACH DECISIONS BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE FOUR MEMBERS; A QUORUM OF THE JOINT BOARD FOR THE TRANSACTION OF BUSINESS SHALL CONSIST OF ALL FOUR MEMBERS.

5. THE AGENDA AND DOCUMENTATION FOR MEETINGS OF THE JOINT BOARD HELD IN YUGOSLAVIA SHALL BE PREPARED BY THE FAISECTC, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY. THE AGENDA AND DOCUMENTATION FOR THE MEETING OF THE JOINT BOARD HELD IN THE UNITED STATES SHALL BE PREPARED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE IN CONSULTATION WITH THE YUGOSLAV EMBASSY.

6. AT THE CONCLUSION OF EACH BOARD MEETING THE HOST COUNTRY IN CONSULTATION WITH THE VISITING COUNTRY SHALL PREPARE A TABULATION OF ALL ONGOING PROJECTS WITH TOTAL DINAR AMOUNTS COMMITTED, OBLIGATED, AND EXPENDED PURSUANT TO PRIOR ACTIONS OF THE BOARD FOR EACH PROJECT FOR THE YEARS OF ITS DURATION AND COMMITMENTS, OBLIGATIONS, AND EXPENDITURES AUTHORIZED BY THE BOARD DURING THE CURRENT BOARD MEETING.

7. ON THE BASIS OF THE FOREGOING TABULATION, AND PAST AND PROJECTED DEPOSITS INTO THE FUND, THE HOST COUNTRY WILL SUBMIT FOR CONFIRMATION BY THE OTHER SIDE THE ESTIMATED UNCOMMITTED AVAILABILITY IN THE JOINT FUND ON THE DATE OF THE NEXT BOARD MEETING.

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8. THE COUNTRY HOSTING THE FALL MEETING SHALL TWO MONTHS IN ADVANCE ASSEMBLE AND PREPARE FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE JOINT BOARD A PROPOSED ANNUAL PROGRAM OF ONGOING AND NEW COOPERATIVE PROJECTS. THE COUNTRY HOSTING THE SPRING MEETING SHALL TWO MONTHS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING PREPARE A PROPOSED ANNUAL REPORT INCLUDING A FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD FOR THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR. THE JOINT BOARD

SHALL REVIEW THE PROGRAM AND REPORTS AND SHALL APPROVE THEM AS SUBMITTED OR AS THEY MAY BE MODIFIED BY THE BOARD, SUBJECT TO ARTICLE IV.

9. OBLIGATIONS MAY BE INCURRED AGAINST, AND

EXPENDITURES MADE FROM, THE JOINT FUND ONLY UPON THE EXPRESS AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD AND WITHIN FUNDS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE. EXPENDITURES MAY BE MADE ONLY BY THE TREASURER.

ALL CHECKS DRAWN ON THE ACCOUNT OF THE JOINT FUND SHALL BE SIGNED BY THE TREASURER AND COUNTERSIGNED BY THE REPRESENTATIVE DESIGNATED BY THE JOINT BOARD. THE TREASURER WILL MAINTAIN A LEDGER FOR EACH UNITED STATES AGENCY MAKING GRANTS TO THE JOINT BOARD REFLECTING THE TOTAL DEPOSITED AND THE AMOUNTS OBLIGATED AND/OR EXPENDED FOR SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED PROJECTS WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY OF EACH AGENCY.

10. THE FISCAL YEAR FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE OPERATION OF THE JOINT FUND SHALL BE FROM JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31.

11. COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN MEETINGS OF THE JOINT BOARD REGARDING POLICY AND FUNDING MATTERS SHALL BE CONDUCTED BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND FAISECTC THROUGH THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY AT BELGRADE.

12. WHEN THE JOINT BOARD HAS APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE A SPECIFIC PROJECT WHICH REQUIRES MINOR MODIFICATION, THE BOARD MAY AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND FAISECTC, IN CONSULTATION WITH UNITED STATES AND YUGOSLAV RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS, TO REACH AGREEMENT ON THE TERMS OF SUCH MODIFICATION BY DIRECT COMMUNICATION, PROVIDED THAT THE PROJECT REMAINS WITHIN ITS DESIGNATED FUNDING

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CEILING AND THE BOARD RECEIVES A FULL REPORT OF THE FINAL TERMS OF THE PROJECT BEFORE ITS NEXT MEETING.

13. UNITED STATES AND YUGOSLAV RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS MAY CONTINUE TO COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER ON TECHNICAL MATTERS. POLICY AND MAJOR FINANCIAL QUESTIONS, HOWEVER, SHALL BE HANDLED THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND FAISECTC.

14. THE UNITED STATES EMBASSY SHALL BE INFORMED IN A TIMELY MANNER OF PLANNED VISITS FROM THE UNITED STATES TO YUGOSLAVIA; AND THE YUGOSLAV EMBASSY SHALL BE INFORMED IN A TIMELY MANNER OF PLANNED VISITS FROM YUGOSLAVIA TO THE UNITED STATES.

B. RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR FISCAL AND BUDGETARY MATTERS
AS SET FORTH ABOVE MAY REQUIRE ELABORATION. M/FRM/FM
IS REVIEWING ABOVE SUGGESTED RULES AND WILL PREPARE
ADDITIONS IF NECESSARY.

C. IN MEANTIME, WE WOULD APPRECIATE INITIAL YUGOSLAV
REACTION AND ANY SUGGESTIONS. RUSH

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